

MIDGET RACER—Joan Trefethen, secretary of the Professional Race Pilot Association, headquartered at Torrance Municipal Airport, wishes Flight Instructor Bob Pflieger good luck as he takes off on a trial spin in this new midget racer. Pflieger flew the ship on its maiden flight last week and will race the plane this Sunday at Cable-Claremont Airport. — (Herald Photo.)

Local Pilot To Race Midget Plane Sunday

Bob Pflieger, a 24-year-old flight instructor at Torrance Municipal Airport, will pilot a midget airplane in an exhibition race to be staged at the Cable-Claremont Airport on December 3.

The tiny aircraft—it stands only four feet, four inches high, was test hopped for the first time last week by Pflieger, who flew the craft off the local field the day before Thanksgiving for 20 minutes.

Although the plane is powered by an 85-horsepower stock Continental Aircraft engine, "... she really moves," claims test-hopper Pflieger. Named a Schaup Special after Paul Schaup, one of the designers and builders, the small craft was built to conform to the standards of the Professional Race Pilots Association, which has its headquarters at the local air-strip.

John Duke, partner to Schaup, says the small craft will weight in at about 945 pounds. It has a wingspan of 16 feet and is

15 feet, 10 inches long.

When he isn't teaching students to make like a bird from his headquarters at Eagle Aviation on the local field, Pflieger flies co-pilot with North American Airlines.

The two plane designers are employed in the layout and engineering department at North American Aircraft Company.

Pull Drapes Under Study In Classes

Instruction in traverse or pull draperies, as part of the modern American home will be given at the free adult dressmaking classes at Torrance Evening High School on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights at 8:30 in room 114. Adults may learn to make covered cornice pieces in the morning upholstery classes held at the Fern Avenue Recreation hall on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9 to 12:30. Albert Hall, instructor of the upholstery class, will advise students on the type of draperies most suited to dress up their homes. With a knowledge of cornice construction, students can make up their own pieces inexpensively and then attend one of the dressmaking classes to design and make draperies.

Bessie Louise Marsh is instructor of the Monday and Wednesday evening dressmaking class, while Flora Emily Holt handles the Tuesday and Thursday evening dressmaking classes.

Christmas Ball Planned for North Torrance Kids

Plans for a big Christmas party for the "big kiddies" of North Torrance are being studied by the executive board of the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association.

The party plans now call for a Christmas Ball for adults of North Torrance in addition to the Christmas Tree Party held each year for the children.

Doctor Opens Cravens Medical Center Office

Dr. John W. Tippin, M.D., formerly assigned to the McNeil Island Federal Penitentiary as a physician with the Public Health Service, announced this week the opening of offices in the Cravens Medical Center, 1617 Cravens avenue.

His offices will be adjoining, but not associated with, those of Dr. Don C. Moskos, owner and present occupant of a suite of offices in the building.

Dr. Tippin attended the University of California and is a graduate of the University of Southern California School of Medicine. He interned at the Marine Hospital in Seattle.

Assisting him as a nurse will be his wife, Mrs. Tippin, an adopted 19-year-old son, and a 3-year-old son.



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Thief Abandons Attempt to Rob Local Restaurant

Either cold feet or discovery by a passerby caused a would-be burglar to abandon his attempt to break into Helen and Vesta's Cafe, Cabrillo and Gramercy avenues, Helen Baily, one of the owners, told Torrance police on November 21.

Sergeant Percy Bennett of the Torrance Police Department said that the thief had attempted to pry the door stop but had abandoned the attempt before the lock gave way.

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Atomic First Aid Class To Open Next Tuesday

Atomic first aid will be included in a new adult education class to begin next Wednesday afternoon at the Fern Avenue Elementary School.

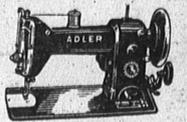
The classes, to be held each week from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., will be conducted by Lieutenant Percy Bennett of the Torrance Police Department.

Official Red Cross certificates will be presented to those successfully completing the nine-

week course. Other subjects to be studied include the care and handling of children, treatment of bruises, shock, snake bite, burns, beach water safety, food poisoning and the treatment of broken bones and fractures.

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